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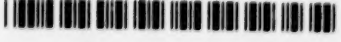

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1. The CHAIRMAN drew attention to document A/C.4/50/L.8 containing a list of the draft resolutions, decisions and amendments before the Committee.

Draft resolution contained in document A/50/23 (part IV), chapter VIII, paragraph 8, and submitted under agenda item 88

2. A recorded vote was taken on the draft resolution.

In favour: Afghanistan, Algeria, Andorra, Antigua and Barbuda, Argentina, Armenia, Australia, Austria, Azerbaijan, Bahamas, Bahrain, Bangladesh, Barbados, Belarus, Belgium, Benin, Bolivia, Brazil, Brunei Darussalam, Bulgaria, Burkina Faso, Burundi, Canada, Cape Verde, Chile, China, Colombia, Congo, Croatia, Cuba, Cyprus, Czech Republic, Denmark, Egypt, Ethiopia, Fiji, Finland, Gabon, Georgia, Germany, Ghana, Greece, Guyana, Honduras, Hungary, Iceland, India, Indonesia, Iran (Islamic Republic of), Ireland, Israel, Italy, Japan, Kazakstan, Kenya, Kuwait, Lao People's Democratic Republic, Latvia, Lebanon, Libyan Arab Jamahiriya, Liechtenstein, Lithuania, Luxembourg, Madagascar, Malaysia, Maldives, Mali, Malta, Marshall Islands, Mexico, Mongolia, Morocco, Mozambique, Myanmar, Namibia, Nepal, Netherlands, New Zealand, Nicaragua, Nigeria, Norway, Oman, Pakistan, Papua New Guinea, Paraguay, Peru, Poland, Portugal, Qatar, Republic of Korea, Republic of Moldova, Romania, Russian Federation, Rwanda, Samoa, Saudi Arabia,

Senegal, Sierra Leone, Singapore, Slovakia, South Africa, Spain, Sri Lanka, Sudan, Suriname, Swaziland, Sweden, Syrian Arab Republic, Thailand, Togo, Trinidad and Tobago, Tunisia, Turkey, Uganda, Ukraine, United Republic of Tanzania, Uruguay, Venezuela, Viet Nam, Zambia, Zimbabwe.

Against: None.

Abstaining: France, United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, United States of America.

3. The draft resolution was adopted by 121 votes to none, with 3 abstentions.

4. Mr. ARKWRIGHT (United Kingdom) said that his delegation had, as in previous years, abstained on the draft resolution. His country would, of course, continue to comply with its obligations in respect of the British dependent Territories under Article 73 e of the Charter of the United Nations. His delegation did not agree with the statement in paragraph 2 of the draft resolution that it was for the General Assembly to decide when a Non-Self-Governing territory had reached a level of self-government sufficient to relieve the administering Power of the obligation to submit information under Article 73 e of the Charter. Such decisions must be left to the Government of the Territory concerned and the administering Power.

5. The CHAIRMAN said that the Committee had concluded its consideration of item 88.

Document A/C.4/50/L.7

6. Mr. PÉREZ-GRIFFO (Spain), speaking on behalf of the European Union, introduced the amendments (A/C.4/50/L.7) to the draft resolution contained in paragraph 16 of chapter V of document A/50/23 (part III). As the Committee was aware, some members of the European Union, and in some cases the Union as a whole, had voted in the past against certain resolutions and decisions on decolonization adopted by the Committee. That had been negatively perceived by some delegations. The States members of the European Union considered that foreign investment in Non-Self-Governing Territories did not necessarily have a negative impact on those Territories. On the contrary, if done in a sensible way and in consultation with the peoples of the Territories, it often had very positive effects. Accordingly, the countries of the European Union, endeavouring to give a more positive tone to the draft resolution, were proposing a number of amendments.

7. Mr. BANGURA (Sierra Leone), speaking as Acting Chairman of the Special Committee and referring to his statement in the general debate in the Fourth Committee on the question of decolonization, said that the Special Committee had a clear mandate with respect to the Non-Self-Governing Territories which it had faithfully and diligently fulfilled. The Special Committee had undeniably scored outstanding success in promoting the exercise by the peoples of colonial Territories of their fundamental right to self-determination and independence. Its mission, however, remained unaccomplished. The Committee constantly

reviewed its approach and rationalized its working methods, making appropriate adjustments in the light of changing international circumstances.

8. Of late, the Special Committee had been noticeably more practical, flexible and innovative in its work, as reflected in its recommendations to the Fourth Committee. Paramount attention was always given to the interests and needs of the peoples of the Non-Self-Governing Territories. Indeed, the General Assembly itself, in proclaiming the International Decade for the Eradication of Colonialism, had set itself the goal of achieving total decolonization by the year 2000. In that connection, the Special Committee had repeatedly stressed the importance of the cooperation and the participation of the administering Powers in activities to promote the attainment of that noble aim. Recognizing that the views of the peoples of those Territories, as well as of their Governments, offered the most authoritative source of information for the identification of the specific needs of Non-Self-Governing Territories, the Special Committee had consistently encouraged those peoples and Governments to participate in its work.

9. Acknowledging the importance of the sustained social and economic development of the Non-Self-Governing Territories as an essential precondition for the meaningful exercise of their right to self-determination and independence, the Special Committee had assiduously sought the adoption of specific measures to promote such development and had welcomed the cooperation of the administering Powers and the specialized agencies of the United Nations.

10. The Special Committee was ready to work with the administering Powers in a spirit of constructive cooperation and believed, in that context, that visiting missions offered the best means of obtaining first-hand information on the conditions and problems confronting the peoples of Non-Self-Governing Territories. The Special Committee hoped that the administering Powers would respond positively to its initiatives and to the goodwill extended to them.

11. Turning to the amendments in document A/C.4/50/L.7, he said that the Special Committee was prepared to accept those contained in paragraphs 2 (a), (b) and (c), in paragraph 7, in paragraphs 12 (a) and (b), in paragraph 13 (a), in paragraph 14 (a), in paragraphs 15 (a) and (b), in paragraphs 16 (a) and (b) and in paragraph 19 (a). As for the amendments in document A/C.4/50/L.6, the Special Committee was prepared to accept those pertaining to draft resolution B.3 on Bermuda, and noted that, even without those amendments, it would accept the reality reflected in the results of the referendum; to paragraph 1 of draft resolution B.6 on Guam; and to paragraph 2 of draft resolution B.12 relating to the United States Virgin Islands.

12. In its consideration of the item on the activities of foreign economic and other interests, the proposals submitted in the Special Committee had been adopted without a vote and the omnibus resolution had been adopted by consensus. In addition, at its recent Conference of Heads of State or Government, held in Cartagena, the Movement of Non-Aligned Countries had proclaimed the abiding importance of the right of all peoples to self-determination; had welcomed the accession to independence and statehood of peoples which had previously languished under the yoke of foreign and colonial domination; and had, yet again, reaffirmed its commitment to the attainment of the goals of the early

elimination of colonialism on the basis of the implementation of the plan of action for the International Decade for the Elimination of Colonialism, in fulfilment of the aspirations of peoples and in accordance with the resolutions of the General Assembly and the provisions of the Charter.

13. Mr. FORERO (Colombia), speaking on behalf of his country, which was presiding over the Movement of Non-Aligned Countries, said that the Movement attached great importance to decolonization, since many of its members had previously been colonies and had gained their independence largely thanks to the work of the Special Committee. At their Conference in October 1995 in Cartagena, the heads of State or Government of non-aligned countries had firmly stated the Movement's position on issues of decolonization and had noted that the process was still not complete. For that reason, his delegation appealed to members of the Movement to bear in mind the declaration adopted at Cartagena when casting their votes.

14. Mr. SAMANA (Papua New Guinea), speaking as Chairman of the Subcommittee on Small Territories, welcomed the statement by the representative of Sierra Leone and said that, in the interests of cooperation, it would be advisable, before amendments to drafts were tabled for consideration, to discuss them at meetings of the Committee. The amendments under consideration were not designed to improve the quality of the original draft; they substantially altered the sense of provisions which had been considered, formulated and adopted by the Committee as a whole. For example, it was not appropriate to change the title, since the object of the Committee's consideration was precisely the activities of foreign economic and other interests which impeded the implementation of the Declaration, and it was not concerned with any activity which did not impede that process. Noting that the prevailing atmosphere in the Committee had changed, he stressed the need to develop cooperation between the administering Powers and the Committee, so as to ensure protection for the interests of the peoples of the Territories concerned based on the principles of the United Nations. He said that he opposed the proposed amendments.

15. Mr. NÚÑEZ MOSQUERA (Cuba), speaking as Deputy Chairman of the Special Committee and on behalf of the members of the Movement of Non-Aligned Countries, said that his delegation would vote against nearly all the amendments proposed in documents A/C.4/50/L.6 and L.7, since they pertained not to the form, but to the substance of the issue and altered the sense of the report of the Special Committee, while some of them even cast doubt on the need for the very existence of that Committee.

16. At the same time, the efforts by certain administering Powers to use the Fourth Committee as a means of making changes to the Special Committee's report were quite unacceptable. Under the Charter, the administering Powers were obliged to cooperate with the Special Committee and he appealed to them for such cooperation. For the reasons he had stated, Cuba would vote against most of the amendments and would abstain from the vote on certain of the amendments, in the interests of showing some flexibility.

17. Mr. CHTCHERBAK (Russian Federation) commended the delegation of Spain for the amendments which it had submitted on behalf of the European Union. The Russian Federation, which had been a member of the Special Committee since its

inception, supported those amendments, which were constructive in nature, took account of the specific features of decolonization at the current stage and would substantially improve the draft resolution, which, in his delegation's opinion, was greatly outdated.

18. His delegation was pleased to see that many of those amendments were in line with suggestions put forward by the Russian Federation in the Special Committee. The Russian Federation was convinced that the adoption of those amendments would respond to the needs of the peoples of Non-Self-Governing Territories and would promote the establishment of conditions for their sustainable social and economic development, thereby speeding up the decolonization process. In addition, they could provide a sound basis for the adoption by the Fourth Committee of a consensus draft resolution on that issue.

19. Mr. BIRENBAUM (United States of America) also supported the amendments submitted by Spain on behalf of the European Union. He said that the United States considered that adoption of those amendments would make it possible to react in the best manner to the new realities in the world situation and in the work of the Committee. In current circumstances, where practically all developing countries welcomed foreign investments and foreign economic activities, it was surprising that the Committee was still holding on to the old ideas concerning such activities. Adoption of the amendments would be a very constructive step, demonstrating an awareness of the new realities of the modern world and a desire to abandon traditional rhetoric regarding foreign investments.

20. Mr. MWAMBULUKUTU (United Republic of Tanzania) said that, as a member of the Special Committee, Tanzania had always regarded it as essential to cooperate with the United Nations and the administering Powers in adopting the appropriate methods of tackling all questions concerning decolonization. Tanzania was concerned about the refusal of some administering Powers to take part in the work of the Special Committee.

21. A great deal had been done to bring that work into line with the current situation, as the administering Powers which had cooperated with the Committee could confirm.

22. As for the proposed amendments, he said that if they had been submitted for consideration by the Special Committee, discussion of them would have been more effective. His delegation was concerned that there were a multiplicity of interpretations of the Committee's mandate.

23. Tanzania hoped that countries aspiring to see an end to decolonization by the year 2000 would join it in working actively in the Fourth Committee in the year ahead.

24. Mr. AL-ATTAR (Syrian Arab Republic) said that, before the vote, his delegation wished to state that the proposed amendments did not correspond to General Assembly resolutions on the elimination of colonialism. They were contrary to articles of the Charter of the United Nations, and his delegation called on all countries to vote against them, as they were not the result of the work of the Special Committee.

25. Mr. MACEDO (Mexico), speaking in explanation of vote before the voting, said that his delegation would prefer countries wishing to introduce substantive amendments to recommendations of the Special Committee to do so at the appropriate time, during discussions in the Special Committee. Mexico considered inappropriate their decision to raise in the Fourth Committee matters causing them concern in order to reconsider the decisions of the Special Committee and place the results of its discussions in doubt.

26. His delegation supported the Special Committee's decisions on the amendments submitted and would vote against those that aimed to alter the substance of and substantially distort the Special Committee's decisions and recommendations. Mexico called on countries which had submitted amendments to address themselves in future to the Special Committee and explain their problems in that forum so as to avoid such situations arising again.

27. Mr. JELBAN (Libyan Arab Jamahiriya), speaking in explanation of vote before the voting, said that the amendments proposed by Spain on behalf of the European Union had been submitted without prior consultation with the Special Committee. Their purpose was to hamper the work of the Special Committee and to deprive peoples of the right to self-determination and independence. For those reasons his delegation would vote against all the amendments submitted.

28. Mr. AL-HASSAN (Oman), speaking in explanation of vote before the voting, said that his delegation did not usually take part in the discussion of amendments which had not been considered by the Special Committee, but at the current session it was prepared to support some of those amendments for the very reason that they had been accepted by the Special Committee. As usual, his delegation considered that the best way of solving questions related to amendments was through constructive dialogue with the Special Committee.

Amendment in paragraph 1 of document A/C.4/50/L.7

29. A recorded vote was taken on the amendment.

In favour: Andorra, Armenia, Australia, Austria, Azerbaijan, Bahamas, Belarus, Belgium, Bulgaria, Canada, Czech Republic, Denmark, Finland, France, Georgia, Germany, Greece, Hungary, Iceland, Ireland, Israel, Italy, Japan, Kazakstan, Latvia, Liechtenstein, Lithuania, Luxembourg, Madagascar, Malta, Morocco, Netherlands, New Zealand, Norway, Poland, Portugal, Republic of Korea, Republic of Moldova, Romania, Russian Federation, Slovakia, Spain, Sweden, The former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia, Turkey, Ukraine, United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, United States of America.

Against: Algeria, Barbados, Bolivia, Brazil, Burkina Faso, Burundi, Chile, China, Colombia, Congo, Côte d'Ivoire, Cuba, Democratic People's Republic of Korea, Ethiopia, Fiji, Gabon, Ghana, Guinea-Bissau, Honduras, India, Indonesia, Iran (Islamic Republic of), Kenya, Lao People's Democratic Republic, Lebanon, Libyan Arab Jamahiriya, Malaysia, Mali, Mauritania, Mexico, Mongolia, Namibia, Nicaragua, Nigeria, Panama, Papua

New Guinea, Paraguay, Peru, Rwanda, Samoa, Senegal, Sierra Leone, South Africa, Sri Lanka, Sudan, Syrian Arab Republic, Togo, Uganda, United Republic of Tanzania, Uruguay, Venezuela, Viet Nam, Yemen, Zambia, Zimbabwe.

Abstaining: Antigua and Barbuda, Argentina, Bangladesh, Bhutan, Botswana, Brunei Darussalam, Croatia, Cyprus, Egypt, Guyana, Jamaica, Jordan, Marshall Islands, Mozambique, Myanmar, Philippines, Singapore, Suriname, Swaziland, Thailand, Trinidad and Tobago, Tunisia.

30. The amendment was rejected by 55 votes to 48, with 22 abstentions.

Amendment in paragraph 2 (a) of document A/C.4/50/L.7

31. The amendment was adopted without a vote.

Amendment in paragraph 2 (b) of document A/C.4/50/L.7

32. The amendment was adopted without a vote.

Amendment in paragraph 2 (c) of document A/C.4/50/L.7

33. The amendment was adopted without a vote.

Amendment in paragraph 2 (d) of document A/C.4/50/L.7

34. A recorded vote was taken on the amendment.

In favour: Andorra, Armenia, Australia, Austria, Azerbaijan, Belarus, Belgium, Bulgaria, Canada, Côte d'Ivoire, Czech Republic, Denmark, Finland, France, Georgia, Germany, Greece, Hungary, Iceland, Ireland, Israel, Italy, Japan, Kazakstan, Latvia, Liechtenstein, Lithuania, Luxembourg, Madagascar, Malta, Morocco, Netherlands, New Zealand, Norway, Poland, Portugal, Republic of Moldova, Romania, Russian Federation, Slovakia, Spain, Sweden, The former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia, Turkey, Ukraine, United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, United States of America.

Against: Algeria, Antigua and Barbuda, Bahamas, Barbados, Bolivia, Brazil, Burkina Faso, Burundi, Chile, China, Colombia, Cuba, Democratic People's Republic of Korea, Ethiopia, Fiji, Ghana, Guinea-Bissau, Guyana, Honduras, India, Indonesia, Iran (Islamic Republic of), Jamaica, Jordan, Kenya, Kuwait, Lao People's Democratic Republic, Lebanon, Libyan Arab Jamahiriya, Mali, Mauritania, Mexico, Mongolia, Namibia, Nepal, Nicaragua, Nigeria, Panama, Papua New Guinea, Paraguay, Peru, Samoa, Senegal, Sierra Leone, South Africa, Sri Lanka, Sudan, Suriname, Swaziland, Syrian Arab Republic, Togo, Trinidad and Tobago, Uganda, United Republic of Tanzania, Uruguay, Venezuela, Viet Nam, Yemen, Zambia, Zimbabwe.

Abstaining: Argentina, Botswana, Brunei Darussalam, Croatia, Cyprus, Egypt, Malaysia, Marshall Islands, Mozambique, Myanmar, Philippines, Republic of Korea, Singapore, Thailand, Tunisia.

35. The amendment was rejected by 60 votes to 47, with 15 abstentions.

Amendment in paragraph 3 of document A/C.4/50/L.7

36. A recorded vote was taken on the amendment.

In favour: Andorra, Armenia, Australia, Austria, Azerbaijan, Belarus, Belgium, Bulgaria, Canada, Czech Republic, Denmark, Finland, France, Georgia, Germany, Greece, Hungary, Iceland, Ireland, Israel, Italy, Japan, Kazakstan, Latvia, Liechtenstein, Lithuania, Luxembourg, Madagascar, Malta, Mauritania, Morocco, Netherlands, Norway, Poland, Portugal, Republic of Moldova, Romania, Russian Federation, Slovakia, Spain, Sweden, The former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia, Turkey, Ukraine, United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, United States of America.

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Abstaining: Antigua and Barbuda, Argentina, Barbados, Bhutan, Botswana, Brunei Darussalam, Croatia, Cyprus, Egypt, Guyana, Jamaica, Marshall Islands, Mozambique, Myanmar, New Zealand, Philippines, Republic of Korea, Singapore, Suriname, Swaziland, Thailand, Togo, Trinidad and Tobago, Tunisia.

37. The amendment was rejected by 55 votes to 46, with 24 abstentions.

Amendment in paragraph 4 of document A/C.4/50/L.7

38. A recorded vote was taken on the amendment.

In favour: Andorra, Antigua and Barbuda, Armenia, Australia, Austria, Azerbaijan, Belarus, Belgium, Bulgaria, Canada, Czech Republic, Denmark, Finland, France, Georgia, Germany, Greece, Hungary, Iceland, Ireland, Israel, Italy, Japan, Kazakstan, Latvia, Liechtenstein, Lithuania, Luxembourg, Madagascar, Malta, Morocco, Netherlands, New Zealand, Norway, Poland, Portugal, Republic of Moldova, Romania, Russian Federation,

Slovakia, Spain, Suriname, Sweden, The former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia, Trinidad and Tobago, Turkey, Ukraine, United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, United States of America.

Against: Algeria, Benin, Bolivia, Brazil, Burkina Faso, Burundi, Chile, China, Colombia, Congo, Côte d'Ivoire, Cuba, Democratic People's Republic of Korea, Ethiopia, Fiji, Ghana, Guinea-Bissau, Guyana, Honduras, India, Indonesia, Iran (Islamic Republic of), Jamaica, Jordan, Kenya, Kuwait, Lao People's Democratic Republic, Lebanon, Libyan Arab Jamahiriya, Mali, Mauritania, Mexico, Mongolia, Namibia, Nepal, Nicaragua, Nigeria, Panama, Papua New Guinea, Paraguay, Peru, Qatar, Rwanda, Samoa, Senegal, Sierra Leone, South Africa, Sri Lanka, Sudan, Swaziland, Syrian Arab Republic, Togo, Tunisia, Uganda, United Republic of Tanzania, Uruguay, Venezuela, Viet Nam, Yemen, Zambia, Zimbabwe.

Abstaining: Argentina, Bahamas, Barbados, Bhutan, Botswana, Brunei Darussalam, Croatia, Cyprus, Egypt, Malaysia, Marshall Islands, Mozambique, Myanmar, Philippines, Republic of Korea, Singapore, Thailand.

39. The amendment was rejected by 61 votes to 49, with 17 abstentions.

Amendment in paragraph 5 of document A/C.4/50/L.7

40. A recorded vote was taken on the amendment.

In favour: Andorra, Armenia, Australia, Austria, Azerbaijan, Belarus, Belgium, Bulgaria, Canada, Czech Republic, Denmark, Finland, France, Georgia, Germany, Greece, Hungary, Iceland, Ireland, Israel, Italy, Japan, Kazakstan, Latvia, Liechtenstein, Lithuania, Luxembourg, Madagascar, Malta, Morocco, Netherlands, New Zealand, Norway, Poland, Portugal, Republic of Moldova, Romania, Russian Federation, Slovakia, Spain, Sweden, The former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia, Tunisia, Turkey, Ukraine, United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, United States of America.

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Abstaining: Antigua and Barbuda, Argentina, Bahamas, Barbados, Botswana, Brunei Darussalam, Cyprus, Egypt, Guyana, Jamaica, Jordan, Malaysia, Marshall Islands, Mozambique, Myanmar, Philippines, Republic of Korea, Singapore, Suriname, Thailand, Togo, Trinidad and Tobago.

41. The amendment was rejected by 52 votes to 47, with 22 abstentions.

Amendment in paragraph 6 of document A/C.4/50/L.7

42. A recorded vote was taken on the amendment.

In favour: Andorra, Argentina, Armenia, Australia, Austria, Azerbaijan, Belarus, Belgium, Bulgaria, Canada, Czech Republic, Denmark, Finland, France, Georgia, Germany, Greece, Hungary, Iceland, Ireland, Israel, Italy, Jamaica, Japan, Kazakstan, Latvia, Liechtenstein, Lithuania, Luxembourg, Madagascar, Malta, Morocco, Netherlands, New Zealand, Norway, Poland, Portugal, Republic of Moldova, Romania, Russian Federation, Slovakia, Spain, Sweden, The former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia, Turkey, Ukraine, United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, United States of America.

Against: Algeria, Antigua and Barbuda, Bahamas, Barbados, Benin, Bolivia, Brazil, Burkina Faso, Chile, China, Colombia, Congo, Côte d'Ivoire, Cuba, Democratic People's Republic of Korea, Ethiopia, Fiji, Ghana, Guinea-Bissau, Guyana, Honduras, India, Indonesia, Iran (Islamic Republic of), Kenya, Lao People's Democratic Republic, Lebanon, Libyan Arab Jamahiriya, Mauritania, Mexico, Mongolia, Namibia, Nepal, Nicaragua, Nigeria, Panama, Papua New Guinea, Paraguay, Peru, Rwanda, Samoa, Senegal, Sierra Leone, South Africa, Sri Lanka, Sudan, Suriname, Swaziland, Syrian Arab Republic, Togo, Trinidad and Tobago, Tunisia, Uganda, United Republic of Tanzania, Uruguay, Venezuela, Viet Nam, Yemen, Zambia, Zimbabwe.

Abstaining: Bhutan, Botswana, Brunei Darussalam, Cyprus, Egypt, Jordan, Malaysia, Mali, Marshall Islands, Mozambique, Myanmar, Philippines, Republic of Korea, Singapore, Thailand.

43. The amendment was rejected by 60 votes to 48, with 15 abstentions.

Amendment in paragraph 7 of document A/C.4/50/L.7

44. The amendment was adopted without a vote.

Amendment in paragraph 8 of document A/C.4/50/L.7

45. A recorded vote was taken on the amendment.

In favour: Andorra, Armenia, Australia, Austria, Azerbaijan, Belarus, Belgium, Bulgaria, Canada, Czech Republic, Denmark, Finland,

France, Georgia, Germany, Greece, Hungary, Iceland, Ireland, Israel, Italy, Japan, Kazakstan, Latvia, Liechtenstein, Lithuania, Luxembourg, Madagascar, Malta, Morocco, Netherlands, Norway, Poland, Portugal, Republic of Moldova, Romania, Russian Federation, Slovakia, Spain, Sweden, Thailand, The former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia, Tunisia, Turkey, Ukraine, United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, United States of America.

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Abstaining: Antigua and Barbuda, Argentina, Bahamas, Barbados, Botswana, Brunei Darussalam, Cyprus, Egypt, Guyana, Jamaica, Jordan, Malaysia, Marshall Islands, Mozambique, Myanmar, New Zealand, Philippines, Republic of Korea, Singapore, Suriname, Togo, Trinidad and Tobago, Uruguay.

46. The amendment was rejected by 51 votes to 47, with 23 abstentions.

Amendment in paragraph 10 (a) of document A/C.4/50/L.7

47. A recorded vote was taken on the amendment.

In favour: Andorra, Armenia, Australia, Austria, Azerbaijan, Belarus, Belgium, Bulgaria, Canada, Czech Republic, Denmark, Finland, France, Georgia, Germany, Greece, Hungary, Iceland, Ireland, Israel, Italy, Japan, Latvia, Liechtenstein, Lithuania, Luxembourg, Madagascar, Malta, Morocco, Netherlands, New Zealand, Norway, Poland, Portugal, Republic of Moldova, Romania, Slovakia, Spain, Sweden, The former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia, Turkey, Ukraine, United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, United States of America.

Against: Algeria, Antigua and Barbuda, Bahamas, Barbados, Benin, Bolivia, Brazil, Burkina Faso, Chile, China, Colombia, Congo, Côte d'Ivoire, Cuba, Democratic People's Republic of Korea, Ethiopia, Fiji, Ghana, Guinea-Bissau, Honduras, India, Indonesia, Iran (Islamic Republic of), Jamaica, Kenya, Lao People's Democratic Republic, Lebanon, Libyan Arab Jamahiriya, Mauritania, Mexico, Mongolia, Namibia, Nepal, Nicaragua, Nigeria, Panama, Papua New Guinea, Paraguay, Peru, Rwanda, Samoa, Senegal, Sierra Leone, South Africa, Sri Lanka, Sudan, Suriname, Swaziland, Syrian Arab Republic, Togo, Trinidad and

Tobago, Uganda, United Republic of Tanzania, Uruguay, Venezuela, Viet Nam, Yemen, Zambia, Zimbabwe.

Abstaining: Argentina, Botswana, Brunei Darussalam, Cyprus, Egypt, Guyana, Jordan, Malaysia, Marshall Islands, Mozambique, Myanmar, Philippines, Republic of Korea, Russian Federation, Singapore, Thailand, Tunisia.

48. The amendment was rejected by 59 votes to 44, with 17 abstentions.

Amendment in paragraph 10 (b) of document A/C.4/50/L.7

49. A recorded vote was taken on the amendment.

In favour: Andorra, Armenia, Australia, Austria, Azerbaijan, Belarus, Belgium, Bulgaria, Canada, Czech Republic, Denmark, Finland, France, Georgia, Germany, Greece, Hungary, Iceland, Ireland, Israel, Italy, Japan, Kazakstan, Latvia, Liechtenstein, Lithuania, Luxembourg, Madagascar, Malta, Morocco, Netherlands, New Zealand, Norway, Poland, Portugal, Republic of Moldova, Romania, Russian Federation, Slovakia, Spain, Sweden, The former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia, Trinidad and Tobago, Turkey, Ukraine, United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, United States of America.

Against: Algeria, Antigua and Barbuda, Barbados, Benin, Bolivia, Brazil, Burkina Faso, Burundi, Chile, China, Colombia, Congo, Côte d'Ivoire, Cuba, Democratic People's Republic of Korea, Ethiopia, Fiji, Ghana, Guinea-Bissau, Guyana, Honduras, India, Indonesia, Iran (Islamic Republic of), Jamaica, Jordan, Kenya, Kuwait, Lao People's Democratic Republic, Lebanon, Libyan Arab Jamahiriya, Malaysia, Mali, Mauritania, Mexico, Mongolia, Namibia, Nepal, Nicaragua, Nigeria, Panama, Papua New Guinea, Paraguay, Peru, Qatar, Rwanda, Samoa, Senegal, Sierra Leone, South Africa, Sri Lanka, Sudan, Swaziland, Syrian Arab Republic, Togo, Tunisia, Uganda, United Republic of Tanzania, Uruguay, Venezuela, Viet Nam, Yemen, Zambia, Zimbabwe.

Abstaining: Argentina, Bahamas, Botswana, Brunei Darussalam, Cyprus, Egypt, Marshall Islands, Mozambique, Myanmar, Philippines, Republic of Korea, Singapore, Suriname, Thailand.

50. The amendment was rejected by 64 votes to 47, with 14 abstentions.

Amendment in paragraph 10 (c) of document A/C.4/50/L.7

51. A recorded vote was taken on the amendment.

In favour: Andorra, Armenia, Australia, Austria, Azerbaijan, Belarus, Belgium, Bulgaria, Canada, Czech Republic, Denmark, Finland, France, Georgia, Germany, Greece, Hungary, Iceland, Ireland, Israel, Italy, Japan, Kazakstan, Latvia, Liechtenstein,

Lithuania, Luxembourg, Madagascar, Malta, Morocco, Netherlands, New Zealand, Norway, Poland, Portugal, Republic of Moldova, Romania, Russian Federation, Slovakia, Spain, Sweden, The former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia, Turkey, Ukraine, United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, United States of America.

Against: Algeria, Antigua and Barbuda, Bahamas, Barbados, Benin, Bolivia, Brazil, Burkina Faso, Burundi, Chile, China, Colombia, Congo, Côte d'Ivoire, Cuba, Democratic People's Republic of Korea, Ethiopia, Fiji, Ghana, Guinea-Bissau, Honduras, India, Indonesia, Iran (Islamic Republic of), Jamaica, Kenya, Lao People's Democratic Republic, Lebanon, Libyan Arab Jamahiriya, Mauritania, Mexico, Mongolia, Namibia, Nepal, Nicaragua, Nigeria, Panama, Papua New Guinea, Paraguay, Peru, Rwanda, Samoa, Senegal, Sierra Leone, South Africa, Sri Lanka, Sudan, Suriname, Swaziland, Syrian Arab Republic, Togo, Trinidad and Tobago, Uganda, United Republic of Tanzania, Uruguay, Venezuela, Viet Nam, Yemen, Zambia, Zimbabwe.

Abstaining: Argentina, Botswana, Brunei Darussalam, Cyprus, Egypt, Guyana, Jordan, Malaysia, Marshall Islands, Mozambique, Myanmar, Philippines, Republic of Korea, Singapore, Thailand, Tunisia.

52. The amendment was rejected by 60 votes to 46, with 16 abstentions.

Amendment in paragraph 11 of document A/C.4/50/L.7

53. A recorded vote was taken on the amendment.

In favour: Andorra, Armenia, Australia, Austria, Azerbaijan, Belarus, Belgium, Bulgaria, Canada, Czech Republic, Denmark, Finland, France, Georgia, Germany, Greece, Hungary, Iceland, Ireland, Israel, Italy, Japan, Kazakstan, Latvia, Liechtenstein, Lithuania, Luxembourg, Madagascar, Malta, Morocco, New Zealand, Norway, Poland, Portugal, Republic of Moldova, Romania, Russian Federation, Slovakia, Spain, Sweden, The former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia, Tunisia, Turkey, Ukraine, United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, United States of America.

Against: Algeria, Antigua and Barbuda, Bahamas, Barbados, Benin, Bolivia, Brazil, Burkina Faso, Burundi, Chile, China, Colombia, Congo, Côte d'Ivoire, Cuba, Democratic People's Republic of Korea, Ethiopia, Fiji, Ghana, Guinea-Bissau, Honduras, India, Indonesia, Iran (Islamic Republic of), Jamaica, Kenya, Lao People's Democratic Republic, Lebanon, Libyan Arab Jamahiriya, Mauritania, Mexico, Mongolia, Namibia, Nepal, Nicaragua, Nigeria, Panama, Papua New Guinea, Paraguay, Peru, Rwanda, Samoa, Senegal, Sierra Leone, South Africa, Sri Lanka, Sudan, Suriname, Swaziland, Syrian Arab Republic, Togo,

Trinidad and Tobago, Uganda, United Republic of Tanzania, Uruguay, Venezuela, Viet Nam, Yemen, Zambia, Zimbabwe.

Abstaining: Argentina, Botswana, Brunei Darussalam, Cyprus, Egypt, Guyana, Malaysia, Marshall Islands, Mozambique, Myanmar, Philippines, Republic of Korea, Singapore, Thailand.

54. The amendment was rejected by 60 votes to 46, with 14 abstentions.

Amendment contained in paragraph 12 (a) of document A/C.4/50/L.7

55. The amendment was adopted without a vote.

Amendment contained in paragraph 12 (b) of document A/C.4/50/L.7

56. A recorded vote was taken on the amendment.

In favour: Andorra, Armenia, Australia, Austria, Azerbaijan, Belarus, Belgium, Bulgaria, Canada, Czech Republic, Denmark, Finland, France, Georgia, Germany, Greece, Hungary, Iceland, Ireland, Israel, Italy, Jamaica, Japan, Kazakstan, Latvia, Liechtenstein, Lithuania, Luxembourg, Madagascar, Malta, Morocco, Netherlands, New Zealand, Norway, Poland, Portugal, Republic of Moldova, Romania, Russian Federation, Slovakia, Spain, Sweden, The former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia, Trinidad and Tobago, Turkey, Ukraine, United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, United States of America.

Against: Algeria, Benin, Bolivia, Brazil, Burkina Faso, Burundi, Chile, China, Colombia, Congo, Côte d'Ivoire, Cuba, Democratic People's Republic of Korea, Ethiopia, Fiji, Ghana, Guinea-Bissau, Guyana, Honduras, India, Indonesia, Iran (Islamic Republic of), Jordan, Kenya, Kuwait, Lao People's Democratic Republic, Lebanon, Libyan Arab Jamahiriya, Malaysia, Mali, Mauritania, Mexico, Mongolia, Namibia, Nepal, Nicaragua, Nigeria, Panama, Papua New Guinea, Paraguay, Peru, Qatar, Rwanda, Samoa, Senegal, Sierra Leone, South Africa, Sri Lanka, Sudan, Swaziland, Syrian Arab Republic, Togo, Tunisia, Uganda, United Republic of Tanzania, Uruguay, Venezuela, Viet Nam, Yemen, Zambia, Zimbabwe.

Abstaining: Antigua and Barbuda, Argentina, Bahamas, Barbados, Botswana, Brunei Darussalam, Cyprus, Egypt, Marshall Islands, Mozambique, Myanmar, Philippines, Republic of Korea, Singapore, Suriname, Thailand.

57. The amendment was rejected by 61 votes to 48, with 16 abstentions.

Amendment contained in paragraph 12 (c) of document A/C.4/50/L.7

58. The amendment was adopted without a vote. Amendment contained in paragraph 12 (d) of document A/C.4/50/L.7.

59. A recorded vote was taken on the amendment.

In favour: Andorra, Armenia, Australia, Austria, Azerbaijan, Belarus, Belgium, Bulgaria, Canada, Czech Republic, Denmark, Finland, France, Georgia, Germany, Greece, Hungary, Iceland, Ireland, Israel, Italy, Jamaica, Japan, Kazakstan, Latvia, Liechtenstein, Lithuania, Luxembourg, Madagascar, Malta, Morocco, Netherlands, Norway, Poland, Portugal, Republic of Moldova, Romania, Russian Federation, Slovakia, Spain, Sweden, Thailand, The former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia, Trinidad and Tobago, Tunisia, Turkey, Ukraine, United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, United States of America.

Against: Afghanistan, Algeria, Antigua and Barbuda, Bahamas, Barbados, Benin, Bolivia, Brazil, Burkina Faso, Burundi, Chile, China, Colombia, Congo, Côte d'Ivoire, Cuba, Democratic People's Republic of Korea, Ethiopia, Fiji, Ghana, Guinea-Bissau, Honduras, India, Indonesia, Iran (Islamic Republic of), Jordan, Kenya, Lao People's Democratic Republic, Lebanon, Libyan Arab Jamahiriya, Mali, Mauritania, Mexico, Mongolia, Namibia, Nepal, Nicaragua, Nigeria, Panama, Papua New Guinea, Paraguay, Peru, Samoa, Senegal, Sierra Leone, South Africa, Sri Lanka, Sudan, Swaziland, Syrian Arab Republic, Togo, Uganda, United Republic of Tanzania, Uruguay, Venezuela, Viet Nam, Yemen, Zambia, Zimbabwe.

Abstaining: Argentina, Botswana, Brunei Darussalam, Cyprus, Egypt, Guyana, Malaysia, Marshall Islands, Mozambique, Myanmar, New Zealand, Philippines, Republic of Korea, Singapore, Suriname.

60. The amendment was rejected by 59 votes to 49, with 15 abstentions.

Amendment contained in paragraph 13 (a) of document A/C.4/50/L.7

61. The amendment was adopted without a vote.

Amendment contained in paragraph 13 (b) of A/C.4/50/L.7

62. A recorded vote was taken on the amendment.

In favour: Andorra, Armenia, Australia, Austria, Azerbaijan, Belarus, Belgium, Bulgaria, Canada, Czech Republic, Denmark, Finland, France, Georgia, Germany, Greece, Hungary, Iceland, Ireland, Israel, Italy, Japan, Kazakstan, Latvia, Liechtenstein, Lithuania, Luxembourg, Madagascar, Malta, Morocco, Netherlands, New Zealand, Norway, Poland, Portugal, Republic of Moldova, Romania, Russian Federation, Slovakia, Spain, Sweden, The former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia, Trinidad and Tobago, Turkey, Ukraine, United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, United States of America.

Against: Algeria, Benin, Bolivia, Brazil, Burkina Faso, Burundi, Chile, China, Colombia, Congo, Côte d'Ivoire, Cuba, Democratic People's Republic of Korea, Ethiopia, Fiji, Ghana, Guinea-Bissau, Guyana, Honduras, India, Indonesia, Iran (Islamic Republic of), Jamaica, Jordan, Kenya, Kuwait, Lao People's Democratic Republic, Lebanon, Libyan Arab Jamahiriya, Malaysia, Mali, Mauritania, Mexico, Mongolia, Namibia, Nepal, Nicaragua, Nigeria, Panama, Papua New Guinea, Paraguay, Peru, Qatar, Rwanda, Samoa, Senegal, Sierra Leone, South Africa, Sri Lanka, Sudan, Swaziland, Syrian Arab Republic, Togo, Tunisia, Uganda, United Republic of Tanzania, Uruguay, Venezuela, Viet Nam, Yemen, Zambia, Zimbabwe.

Abstaining: Antigua and Barbuda, Argentina, Bahamas, Barbados, Botswana, Brunei Darussalam, Cyprus, Egypt, Marshall Islands, Mozambique, Myanmar, Philippines, Republic of Korea, Singapore, Suriname, Thailand.

63. The amendment was rejected by 62 votes to 47, with 16 abstentions.

Amendment contained in paragraph 13 (c) of document A/C.4/50/L.7

64. A recorded vote was taken on the amendment

In favour: Andorra, Armenia, Australia, Austria, Azerbaijan, Belarus, Belgium, Bulgaria, Canada, Czech Republic, Denmark, Finland, France, Georgia, Germany, Greece, Hungary, Iceland, Ireland, Israel, Italy, Japan, Kazakstan, Latvia, Liechtenstein, Lithuania, Luxembourg, Madagascar, Malta, Morocco, Netherlands, Norway, Poland, Portugal, Republic of Moldova, Romania, Russian Federation, Slovakia, Spain, Sweden, The former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia, Tunisia, Turkey, Ukraine, United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, United States of America.

Against: Algeria, Antigua and Barbuda, Bahamas, Benin, Bolivia, Brazil, Burkina Faso, Burundi, Chile, China, Colombia, Congo, Côte d'Ivoire, Cuba, Democratic People's Republic of Korea, Ethiopia, Fiji, Ghana, Guinea-Bissau, Honduras, India, Indonesia, Iran (Islamic Republic of), Jamaica, Kenya, Lao People's Democratic Republic, Lebanon, Libyan Arab Jamahiriya, Mali, Mauritania, Mexico, Mongolia, Namibia, Nepal, Nicaragua, Nigeria, Panama, Papua New Guinea, Paraguay, Peru, Rwanda, Samoa, Senegal, Sierra Leone, South Africa, Sri Lanka, Sudan, Suriname, Swaziland, Syrian Arab Republic, Togo, Trinidad and Tobago, Uganda, United Republic of Tanzania, Venezuela, Viet Nam, Yemen, Zambia, Zimbabwe.

Abstaining: Argentina, Barbados, Botswana, Brunei Darussalam, Cyprus, Egypt, Guyana, Jordan, Malaysia, Marshall Islands, Mozambique, Myanmar, New Zealand, Philippines, Republic of Korea, Singapore, Thailand, Uruguay.

65. The amendment was rejected by 59 votes to 46, with 18 abstentions.

Amendment contained in paragraph 14 (a) of document A/C.4/50/L.7

66. The amendment was adopted without a vote.

Amendment contained in paragraph 14 (b) of document A/C.4/50/L.7

67. A recorded vote was taken on the amendment.

In favour: Andorra, Armenia, Australia, Austria, Azerbaijan, Belarus, Belgium, Bulgaria, Canada, Czech Republic, Denmark, Finland, France, Georgia, Germany, Greece, Hungary, Iceland, Ireland, Israel, Italy, Japan, Kazakstan, Latvia, Liechtenstein, Lithuania, Luxembourg, Madagascar, Malta, Morocco, Netherlands, New Zealand, Norway, Poland, Portugal, Republic of Moldova, Romania, Russian Federation, Slovakia, Spain, Sweden, The former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia, Trinidad and Tobago, Turkey, Ukraine, United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, United States of America.

Against: Algeria, Benin, Bolivia, Brazil, Burkina Faso, Burundi, Chile, China, Colombia, Congo, Côte d'Ivoire, Cuba, Democratic People's Republic of Korea, Ethiopia, Fiji, Ghana, Guinea-Bissau, Guyana, Honduras, India, Indonesia, Iran (Islamic Republic of), Jamaica, Jordan, Kenya, Kuwait, Lao People's Democratic Republic, Lebanon, Libyan Arab Jamahiriya, Malaysia, Mali, Mauritania, Mexico, Mongolia, Namibia, Nepal, Nicaragua, Nigeria, Panama, Papua New Guinea, Paraguay, Peru, Qatar, Rwanda, Samoa, Senegal, Sierra Leone, South Africa, Sri Lanka, Sudan, Swaziland, Syrian Arab Republic, Togo, Tunisia, Uganda, United Republic of Tanzania, Uruguay, Venezuela, Viet Nam, Yemen, Zambia, Zimbabwe.

Abstaining: Antigua and Barbuda, Argentina, Bahamas, Barbados, Botswana, Brunei Darussalam, Cyprus, Egypt, Marshall Islands, Mozambique, Myanmar, Philippines, Republic of Korea, Singapore, Suriname, Thailand.

68. The amendment was rejected by 62 votes to 47, with 16 abstentions.

Amendment contained in paragraph 15 (a) of document A/C.4/50/L.7

69. The amendment was adopted without a vote.

Amendment contained in paragraph 15 (b) of document A/C.4/50/L.7

70. A recorded vote was taken on the amendment.

In favour: Andorra, Armenia, Australia, Austria, Azerbaijan, Belarus, Belgium, Bulgaria, Canada, Czech Republic, Denmark, Finland, France, Georgia, Germany, Greece, Hungary, Iceland, Ireland,

Israel, Italy, Japan, Kazakstan, Latvia, Liechtenstein, Lithuania, Luxembourg, Madagascar, Malta, Morocco, Netherlands, New Zealand, Norway, Poland, Portugal, Republic of Moldova, Romania, Russian Federation, Slovakia, Spain, Sweden, The former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia, Trinidad and Tobago, Turkey, Ukraine, United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, United States of America.

Against: Algeria, Barbados, Benin, Bolivia, Brazil, Burkina Faso, Burundi, Chile, China, Colombia, Congo, Côte d'Ivoire, Cuba, Democratic People's Republic of Korea, Ethiopia, Fiji, Ghana, Guinea-Bissau, Guyana, Honduras, India, Indonesia, Iran (Islamic Republic of), Jamaica, Jordan, Kenya, Kuwait, Lao People's Democratic Republic, Lebanon, Libyan Arab Jamahiriya, Malaysia, Mali, Mauritania, Mexico, Mongolia, Namibia, Nepal, Nicaragua, Nigeria, Panama, Papua New Guinea, Paraguay, Peru, Qatar, Rwanda, Samoa, Senegal, Sierra Leone, South Africa, Sri Lanka, Sudan, Syrian Arab Republic, Togo, Tunisia, Uganda, United Republic of Tanzania, Uruguay, Venezuela, Viet Nam, Yemen, Zambia, Zimbabwe.

Abstaining: Antigua and Barbuda, Argentina, Bahamas, Botswana, Brunei Darussalam, Cyprus, Egypt, Marshall Islands, Mozambique, Myanmar, Philippines, Republic of Korea, Singapore, Suriname, Swaziland, Thailand.

71. The amendment was rejected by 62 votes to 47, with 16 abstentions.

Amendment contained in paragraph 15 (c) of document A/C.4/50/L.7

72. The amendment was adopted without a vote.

Amendment contained in paragraph 16 (a) of document A/C.4/50/L.7

73. The amendment was adopted without a vote.

Amendment contained in paragraph 16 (b) of document A/C.4/50/L.7

74. The amendment was adopted without a vote.

Amendment contained in paragraph 17 of document A/C.4/50/L.7

75. A recorded vote was taken on the amendment.

In favour: Andorra, Armenia, Australia, Austria, Azerbaijan, Belgium, Bulgaria, Canada, Czech Republic, Denmark, Finland, France, Georgia, Germany, Greece, Hungary, Iceland, Ireland, Israel, Italy, Japan, Latvia, Liechtenstein, Lithuania, Luxembourg, Madagascar, Malta, Morocco, Netherlands, New Zealand, Norway, Poland, Portugal, Republic of Moldova, Romania, Slovakia, Spain, Sweden, The former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia,

Tunisia, Turkey, Ukraine, United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, United States of America.

Against: Afghanistan, Algeria, Antigua and Barbuda, Bahamas, Barbados, Benin, Bolivia, Brazil, Burkina Faso, Chile, China, Colombia, Congo, Côte d'Ivoire, Cuba, Democratic People's Republic of Korea, Ethiopia, Fiji, Ghana, Guinea-Bissau, Honduras, India, Indonesia, Iran (Islamic Republic of), Jamaica, Jordan, Kenya, Lao People's Democratic Republic, Lebanon, Libyan Arab Jamahiriya, Mali, Mauritania, Mexico, Mongolia, Namibia, Nepal, Nicaragua, Nigeria, Panama, Papua New Guinea, Paraguay, Peru, Rwanda, Samoa, Senegal, Sierra Leone, South Africa, Sri Lanka, Sudan, Suriname, Swaziland, Syrian Arab Republic, Togo, Trinidad and Tobago, Uganda, United Republic of Tanzania, Uruguay, Venezuela, Viet Nam, Yemen, Zambia, Zimbabwe.

Abstaining: Argentina, Belarus, Botswana, Brunei Darussalam, Cyprus, Egypt, Guyana, Kazakstan, Malaysia, Marshall Islands, Mozambique, Myanmar, Philippines, Republic of Korea, Russian Federation, Singapore, Thailand.

76. The amendment was rejected by 62 votes to 44, with 17 abstentions.

Amendment contained in paragraph 18 of document A/C.4/50/L.7

77. A recorded vote was taken on the amendment.

In favour: Andorra, Armenia, Australia, Austria, Azerbaijan, Belarus, Belgium, Bulgaria, Canada, Czech Republic, Denmark, Finland, France, Georgia, Germany, Greece, Hungary, Iceland, Ireland, Israel, Italy, Japan, Kazakstan, Latvia, Liechtenstein, Lithuania, Luxembourg, Madagascar, Malta, Morocco, Netherlands, Norway, Poland, Portugal, Republic of Moldova, Romania, Russian Federation, Slovakia, Spain, Sweden, The former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia, Tunisia, Turkey, Ukraine, United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, United States of America.

Against: Afghanistan, Algeria, Antigua and Barbuda, Bahamas, Benin, Bolivia, Brazil, Burkina Faso, Burundi, Chile, China, Colombia, Congo, Côte d'Ivoire, Cuba, Democratic People's Republic of Korea, Ethiopia, Fiji, Ghana, Guinea-Bissau, Guyana, Honduras, India, Indonesia, Iran (Islamic Republic of), Jordan, Kenya, Lao People's Democratic Republic, Lebanon, Libyan Arab Jamahiriya, Mali, Mauritania, Mexico, Mongolia, Namibia, Nepal, Nicaragua, Nigeria, Panama, Papua New Guinea, Paraguay, Peru, Rwanda, Samoa, Senegal, Sierra Leone, South Africa, Sri Lanka, Sudan, Suriname, Swaziland, Syrian Arab Republic, Togo, Uganda, United Republic of Tanzania, Uruguay, Venezuela, Viet Nam, Yemen, Zambia, Zimbabwe.

Abstaining: Argentina, Barbados, Botswana, Brunei Darussalam, Cyprus, Egypt, Jamaica, Malaysia, Marshall Islands, Mozambique, Myanmar, New Zealand, Philippines, Republic of Korea, Singapore, Thailand, Trinidad and Tobago.

78. The amendment was rejected by 61 votes to 46, with 17 abstentions.

Amendment contained in paragraph 19 (a) of document A/C.4/50/L.7

79. The amendment was adopted without a vote.

Amendment contained in paragraph 19 (b) of document A/C.4/50/L.7

80. A recorded vote was taken on the amendment.

In favour: Andorra, Armenia, Australia, Austria, Azerbaijan, Belarus, Belgium, Bulgaria, Canada, Czech Republic, Denmark, Finland, France, Georgia, Germany, Greece, Hungary, Iceland, Ireland, Israel, Italy, Japan, Kazakstan, Latvia, Liechtenstein, Lithuania, Luxembourg, Madagascar, Malta, Morocco, Netherlands, New Zealand, Norway, Poland, Portugal, Republic of Moldova, Romania, Russian Federation, Slovakia, Spain, Sweden, The former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia, Turkey, Ukraine, United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, United States of America.

Against: Afghanistan, Algeria, Antigua and Barbuda, Bahamas, Barbados, Benin, Bolivia, Brazil, Burkina Faso, Burundi, Chile, China, Colombia, Congo, Côte d'Ivoire, Cuba, Democratic People's Republic of Korea, Ethiopia, Fiji, Ghana, Guinea-Bissau, Guyana, Honduras, India, Indonesia, Iran (Islamic Republic of), Jamaica, Jordan, Kenya, Lao People's Democratic Republic, Lebanon, Libyan Arab Jamahiriya, Mali, Mauritania, Mexico, Mongolia, Namibia, Nepal, Nicaragua, Nigeria, Panama, Papua New Guinea, Paraguay, Peru, Rwanda, Samoa, Senegal, Sierra Leone, South Africa, Sri Lanka, Sudan, Suriname, Swaziland, Syrian Arab Republic, Togo, Trinidad and Tobago, Tunisia, Uganda, United Republic of Tanzania, Uruguay, Venezuela, Viet Nam, Yemen, Zambia, Zimbabwe.

Abstaining: Argentina, Botswana, Brunei Darussalam, Cyprus, Egypt, Malaysia, Marshall Islands, Mozambique, Myanmar, Philippines, Republic of Korea, Singapore, Thailand.

81. The proposal was rejected by 65 votes to 46, with 13 abstentions.

Amendment contained in paragraph 20 of document A/C.4/50/L.7

82. A recorded vote was taken on the amendment.

In favour: Andorra, Armenia, Australia, Austria, Azerbaijan, Belgium, Bulgaria, Canada, Czech Republic, Denmark, Finland, France,

Georgia, Germany, Greece, Hungary, Iceland, Ireland, Israel, Italy, Japan, Latvia, Liechtenstein, Lithuania, Luxembourg, Madagascar, Malta, Morocco, Netherlands, New Zealand, Norway, Poland, Portugal, Republic of Moldova, Romania, Russian Federation, Slovakia, Spain, Sweden, The former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia, Turkey, Ukraine, United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, United States of America.

Against: Algeria, Antigua and Barbuda, Bahamas, Barbados, Benin, Bolivia, Brazil, Burkina Faso, Burundi, Chile, China, Colombia, Congo, Côte d'Ivoire, Cuba, Democratic People's Republic of Korea, Ethiopia, Fiji, Ghana, Guinea-Bissau, Guyana, Honduras, India, Indonesia, Iran (Islamic Republic of), Jamaica, Kenya, Kuwait, Lao People's Democratic Republic, Lebanon, Libyan Arab Jamahiriya, Mali, Mauritania, Mexico, Mongolia, Namibia, Nepal, Nicaragua, Nigeria, Panama, Papua New Guinea, Paraguay, Peru, Rwanda, Samoa, Senegal, Sierra Leone, South Africa, Sri Lanka, Sudan, Suriname, Swaziland, Syrian Arab Republic, Togo, Trinidad and Tobago, Tunisia, Uganda, United Republic of Tanzania, Uruguay, Venezuela, Viet Nam, Yemen, Zambia, Zimbabwe.

Abstaining: Argentina, Belarus, Botswana, Brunei Darussalam, Cyprus, Egypt, Jordan, Kazakstan, Malaysia, Marshall Islands, Mozambique, Myanmar, Philippines, Republic of Korea, Singapore, Thailand.

83. The proposal was rejected by 64 votes to 44, with 16 abstentions.

84. The meeting was suspended at 12.10 p.m. and resumed at 12.20 p.m.

85. A recorded vote was taken on the draft resolution contained in paragraph 16 of chapter V of document A/50/23 (Part III) as a whole, as amended.

In favour: Algeria, Bahamas, Bahrain, Bangladesh, Benin, Botswana, Brazil, Brunei Darussalam, Burkina Faso, Chile, China, Colombia, Congo, Côte d'Ivoire, Cuba, Cyprus, Democratic People's Republic of Korea, Ethiopia, Fiji, Gabon, Ghana, Guinea-Bissau, Guyana, Haiti, Honduras, India, Indonesia, Iran (Islamic Republic of), Jamaica, Kenya, Kuwait, Lao People's Democratic Republic, Libyan Arab Jamahiriya, Malaysia, Maldives, Mexico, Mongolia, Mozambique, Myanmar, Namibia, Nepal, Nicaragua, Nigeria, Pakistan, Papua New Guinea, Paraguay, Peru, Republic of Korea, Rwanda, Samoa, Saudi Arabia, Sierra Leone, Singapore, South Africa, Sri Lanka, Sudan, Swaziland, Syrian Arab Republic, Thailand, Togo, Trinidad and Tobago, Tunisia, Uganda, United Republic of Tanzania, Uruguay, Venezuela, Viet Nam, Yemen, Zambia, Zimbabwe.

Against: Andorra, Armenia, Australia, Austria, Belarus, Belgium, Bulgaria, Canada, Czech Republic, Denmark, Finland, France,

Georgia, Germany, Greece, Hungary, Iceland, Ireland, Israel, Italy, Japan, Latvia, Liechtenstein, Lithuania, Luxembourg, Madagascar, Netherlands, New Zealand, Norway, Poland, Portugal, Republic of Moldova, Romania, Russian Federation, Spain, Sweden, The former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia, Turkey, Ukraine, United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, United States of America.

Abstaining: Argentina, Azerbaijan, Morocco, Philippines.

86. The draft resolution was adopted by 70 votes to 41, with 4 abstentions*.

Draft decision contained in document A/50/23 (Part III), chapter VI, paragraph 14

87. A recorded vote was taken on the draft decision.

In favour: Algeria, Antigua and Barbuda, Bahamas, Bahrain, Bangladesh, Barbados, Benin, Botswana, Brazil, Brunei Darussalam, Burkina Faso, Chile, China, Colombia, Congo, Côte d'Ivoire, Cuba, Cyprus, Democratic People's Republic of Korea, Ethiopia, Fiji, Gabon, Ghana, Guinea-Bissau, Guyana, Haiti, Honduras, India, Indonesia, Iran (Islamic Republic of), Jamaica, Kenya, Kuwait, Lao People's Democratic Republic, Lebanon, Libyan Arab Jamahiriya, Malaysia, Maldives, Mauritania, Mexico, Mongolia, Mozambique, Myanmar, Namibia, Nepal, Nicaragua, Nigeria, Pakistan, Papua New Guinea, Paraguay, Peru, Philippines, Republic of Korea, Rwanda, Samoa, Saudi Arabia, Senegal, Sierra Leone, Singapore, South Africa, Sri Lanka, Suriname, Swaziland, Syrian Arab Republic, Thailand, Togo, Trinidad and Tobago, Tunisia, Uganda, United Republic of Tanzania, Uruguay, Venezuela, Viet Nam, Yemen, Zambia, Zimbabwe.

Against: Andorra, Armenia, Australia, Austria, Belarus, Belgium, Bulgaria, Canada, Czech Republic, Denmark, Finland, France, Georgia, Germany, Greece, Hungary, Iceland, Ireland, Italy, Japan, Kazakstan, Latvia, Liechtenstein, Lithuania, Luxembourg, Netherlands, Norway, Palau, Poland, Portugal, Republic of Moldova, Romania, Russian Federation, Spain, Sweden, The former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia, Turkey, Ukraine, United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, United States of America.

Abstaining: Argentina, Morocco, New Zealand.

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* The delegation of Oman and the Sudan subsequently informed the Committee that they had intended to vote in favour of the draft resolution, and the delegations of Malta and Slovenia that they had intended to vote against.

88. The draft decision was adopted by 76 votes to 40, with 3 abstentions*.

89. Mr. ROWE (Australia) said that his delegation had been unable to support the draft decision on military activities and arrangements by the colonial Powers in Territories under their administration, since the wording of the draft was not substantially different from the wording that had been used at previous sessions of the General Assembly. With respect to paragraph 4 of the decision, Australia was strongly opposed to nuclear testing by any State anywhere.

90. Mr. CHTCHERBAK (Russian Federation) said that his delegation had voted against the draft decision since it considered that the draft required substantial revision. Concrete and constructive approaches should be adopted, and accounts should be taken of the real needs of the peoples of the Non-Self-Governing Territories. His delegation was prepared to give its active support to any efforts to that end with a view to ensuring the speedy completion of the decolonization process.

91. The CHAIRMAN said that the Committee had concluded its consideration of agenda item 89.

Draft resolution contained in document A/50/23 (Part IV), chapter VII, paragraph 14

92. A recorded vote was taken on the draft resolution.

In favour: Algeria, Antigua and Barbuda, Australia, Bahamas, Bahrain, Bangladesh, Barbados, Belize, Benin, Bhutan, Bolivia, Botswana, Brazil, Brunei Darussalam, Burkina Faso, Burundi, Chile, China, Colombia, Congo, Côte d'Ivoire, Cuba, Cyprus, Democratic People's Republic of Korea, Ethiopia, Fiji, Gabon, Ghana, Guinea-Bissau, Guyana, Haiti, Honduras, India, Indonesia, Iran (Islamic Republic of), Jamaica, Jordan, Kenya, Kuwait, Lao People's Democratic Republic, Lebanon, Libyan Arab Jamahiriya, Madagascar, Malaysia, Maldives, Marshall Islands, Mauritania, Mexico, Mongolia, Mozambique, Myanmar, Namibia, Nepal, New Zealand, Nicaragua, Nigeria, Oman, Pakistan, Panama, Papua New Guinea, Paraguay, Peru, Philippines, Qatar, Republic of Korea, Russian Federation, Rwanda, Samoa, Saudi Arabia, Senegal, Sierra Leone, Singapore, South Africa, Sri Lanka, Sudan, Suriname, Swaziland, Syrian Arab Republic, Thailand, Togo, Trinidad and Tobago, Tunisia, Uganda, United Arab Emirates, United Republic of Tanzania, Uruguay, Venezuela, Viet Nam, Yemen, Zambia, Zimbabwe.

Against: None.

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* The delegations of Oman and the Sudan subsequently informed the Committee that they had intended to vote in favour of the draft decision, and the delegations of Malta and Slovenia that they had intended to vote against.

Abstaining: Andorra, Argentina, Armenia, Austria, Azerbaijan, Belarus, Belgium, Bulgaria, Canada, Czech Republic, Denmark, Finland, France, Georgia, Germany, Greece, Hungary, Iceland, Ireland, Israel, Italy, Japan, Latvia, Liechtenstein, Lithuania, Luxembourg, Malta, Morocco, Netherlands, Norway, Palau, Poland, Portugal, Republic of Moldova, Romania, Slovakia, Spain, Sweden, The former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia, Turkey, Ukraine, United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, United States of America.

93. The draft resolution was adopted by 91 votes to none, with 43 abstentions.

94. Mr. PÉREZ-GRIFFO (Spain), speaking on behalf of the European Union, said that the countries of the European Union reaffirmed their support for the assistance that the specialized agencies had given to the Non-Self-Governing Territories in various fields. At the same time, they regretted that the draft decision on "military activities" forced the European Union once again to restate its objections to the draft, since that issue was not included in the list of agenda items allocated by the General Assembly to the Fourth Committee. The European Union's remarks on the current drafts had not been taken into account, and that was why the countries of the European Union had abstained in the vote on the draft resolution on agenda item 90 and had voted against the draft resolution on agenda item 18.

95. With regard to agenda item 89, the European Union welcomed the efforts towards moderation in the draft resolution and took note of the reference in the preamble to the contribution that foreign economic investment could make to the socio-economic development of those Territories. In the opinion of the European Union, the absence of a clear distinction between useful and harmful economic activities, as well as the implications that all foreign investment was inherently harmful, represented a serious shortcoming of the draft resolution, and the European Union had therefore introduced some amendments with a view to correcting those shortcomings. While the countries of the European Union were grateful that several of those amendments had been approved, they regretted that the Committee had not supported all of their amendments. The European Union had been therefore forced, once again, to vote against the draft. It hoped, nevertheless, that its position would be taken into account when the Committee prepared next year's draft resolution.

96. Mr. KIRKLAND (United States of America) said that his delegation recognized the obligations of the specialized agencies of the United Nations and the particular difficulties that they encountered in carrying out those obligations in the Non-Self-Governing Territories, and would have supported the draft had it not linked the work of the specialized agencies to activities involved in the implementation of the Declaration. That was unnecessary, since the times for such linkage were long past.

97. The CHAIRMAN said that the Committee had concluded its consideration of agenda item 90.

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98. The CHAIRMAN announced that Australia and Sweden had become sponsors of the draft resolution.

99. The draft resolution was adopted without a vote.

100. The CHAIRMAN said that the Committee had concluded its consideration of agenda item 91.

The meeting rose at 12.45 p.m.